

## NEAR THE LAST DITCH.

Before the McKinley bill was passed, says the San Francisco Bulletin, the American people were consumers of between seven hundred and eight hundred million pounds of tin-plate annually, not a pound of which was made in this country. The annual cost was in the neighborhood of \$25,000,000. The opponents of the development of American industries saw fit to pitch upon tin-plate as the particular item in the McKinley bill to be antagonized. They prophesied the utter failure of the bill to establish the industry. To day several of the largest firms in the country announce themselves ready to furnish all the bar steel required for the first step in tin-plate making. Several other firms of equal business standing are already turning the bar steel into steel plate. They have previously had experience in producing plate for roofing, galvanizing and various domestic purposes, and only a slight additional equipment was necessary to prepare them for the new manufacture. The great argument of the Free-traders a few months ago that we did not produce the steel plates which were the basis of tin-plate is thus set aside. There only remains the procurement of tin and the simple process of coating the plates with it. The tin supply is all right. California is already turning it out in commercial quantities, and preparing to increase the output. We can get tin just as easily as Welsh firms. The coating is an easy hand process to which we are already preparing to apply improved machine methods. The Free-traders are pretty near the last ditch in the tin plate war.

For some years past the work of Arctic exploration has been largely suspended. The last two important expeditions that had the North Pole as their objective point were of American organization, and were in the main conducted with a sagacity and courage that do credit to the American name. Nor were they by any means barren of results. They added much to the world's knowledge of the far northern regions, and they placed the stars and stripes nearer to the Arctic Pole than the flag of any other nation. But their ending was in disaster and death. Since then no serious effort has been made to continue their unfinished work. Dr. Nansen, it is true, tramped across Southern Greenland, and Lord Londsdale is reputed to have wandered about the shores of Hudson Bay. But until the present time no real polar expedition has gone forth. Now, however, there is a great revival of action. Three well-equipped parties are making their way northward, and a fourth will soon follow, and there is good reason to expect each will wrest from the clime of frost some real advantage to the world of science.

## Going Against Nature.

A horned rabbit is the curiosity of the day at Akron, O.

A farmer near Moorsville, Ind., has a six-legged calf. It uses all its legs in walking.

Maud Evans, of Beaver Falls, Pa., who is only 16 years old, has a third set of natural teeth.

Nancy Hatch, a Yawee (Miss.) negress, began to turn white seven years ago, and now she would almost pass for a woman of Caucasian descent. Almost the only remnant of her former black skin is a dark line about her neck.

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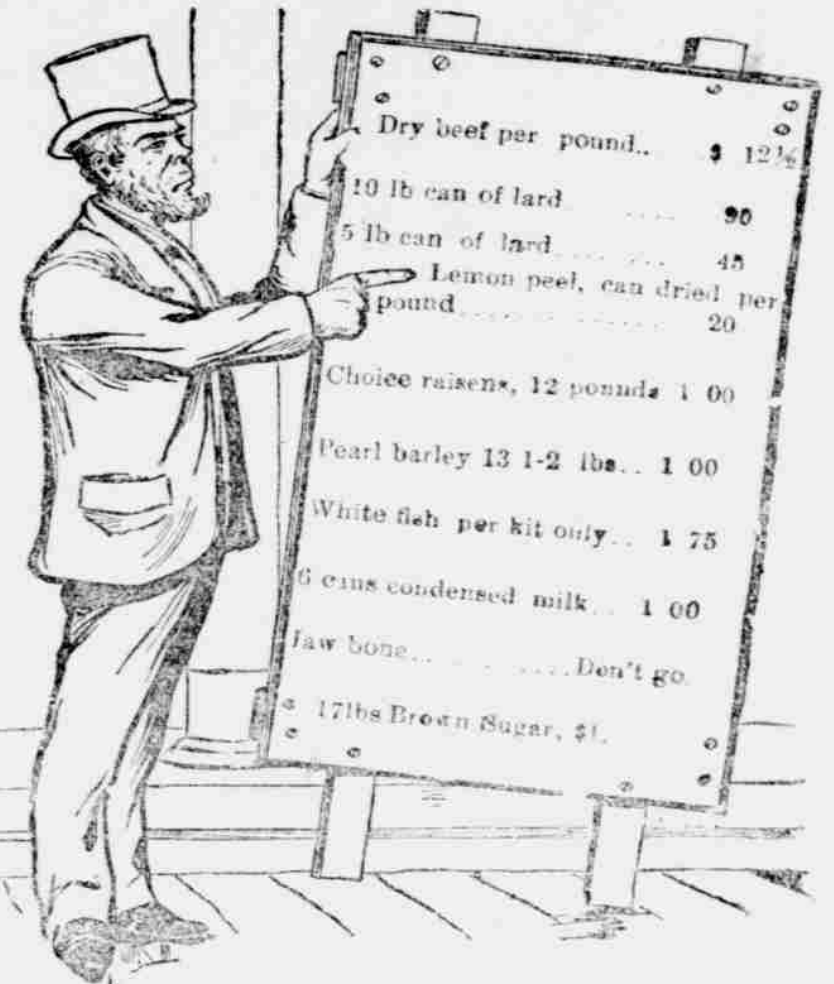
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